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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-18 (canceled)

19. (new) A monolithic material comprising aligned, uniform fibrils characterized by an

average diameter of no more than one micrometer, said fibrils further characterized by

suitability for surface chemistry tailoring for organic ligand grafting, said fibrils defining

gaps therebetween, said gaps characterized by an average diameter of no more than one

micrometer, said monolithic material further characterized by a separation matrix in the

direction of alignment of said fibrils, said monolithic material further characterized by at

least one anisotropic property suitable for at least one of the group consisting of:

electrophoretic separation, electrochromatography, and catalysis.

20. (new) The monolithic material of Claim 19 wherein at least one surface of said monolithic

material is functionalized.

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